Appl No. 10/396,265
Reply to Exeminer's Action dated November 17, 2005

IN THE CLAIMS:

(Currently Amended) A mechanism for resource allocation in a processor, comprising:
 categorization logic, associated with an earlier pipeline stage, that generates instruction
type information for instructions to be executed in said processor;

queuing logic, in which said instructions and said instruction type information are stored in an order based on a priority of said instructions derived from a priority of functional units in said processor; and

priority logic, associated with a later pipeline stage, that allocates functional units of said processor to execution of said instructions in said order based on said instruction type information.

- 2. (Original) The mechanism as recited in Claim 1 wherein said categorization logic causes said instruction type information to be stored and tagged in a queue containing said instructions.
- (Original) The mechanism as recited in Claim 1 wherein said earlier pipeline stage is a fetch/decode stage of said processor.
- 4. (Original) The mechanism as recited in Claim 1 wherein said instructions are ungrouped when said categorization logic generates said instruction type information.
- 5. (Original) The mechanism as recited in Claim 1 wherein said instruction type information defines at least four categories of instruction.